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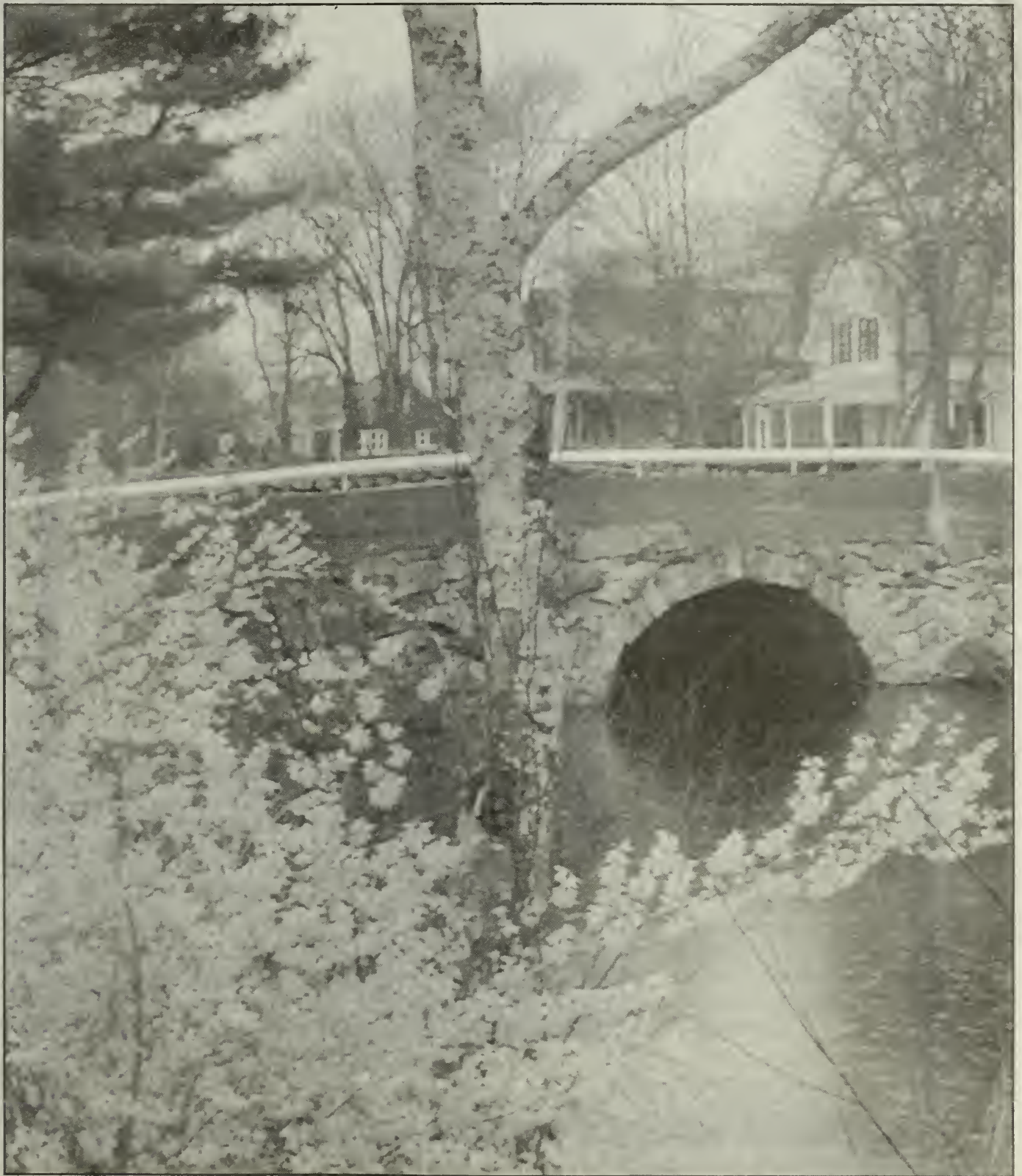
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Old Hammondtown School Mattapoisett Band to Play Tanglewood

On Saturday, April 1, the Old Hammondtown Elementary School Concert Band under the direction of Stan Ellis, attended its tenth straight MICCA (Massachusetts Instrumental And Choral Conductors Association) competition at Foxboro High School. OHS came away with its sixth gold medal in a row and as a reward for that medal the band has earned a chance to play at Ozawa Hall at Tanglewood in Lennox, MA on Sunday May 7.

Performing three pieces of music — "The Black Hawk March," "Soldier's Procession," and "Ancient Irish Hymn" — OHS was the only elementary band to compete at the MICCA festival. All the other bands were primarily junior high school and high school organizations. MICCA holds the competitions for several hundred concert bands and choirs in five different locations on three separate days and gold medalist groups get a chance to perform at Symphony Hall in Boston or at Ozawa Hall at Tanglewood.

"We chose the Tanglewood location simply because of the timing," explained Mr. Ellis. "The Symphony Hall date was the Saturday of April vacation and a lot of children would be away."

"I like the MICCA competitions because it gives the children a chance to see what competition is like without being a winner-take-all situation," Mr. Ellis said. "The children are only being judged on how well they play their own music and are not judged against other bands. I believe it is very important for children at this age to learn responsibility and accountability without the unnecessary pressure of a one, two, three situation. The judging is fair and you may have several different groups taking home the same medal."

"At the junior high and high school level, head to head competition is fine. I also get judged on how well I rehearsed the band and how appropriate the music is for the band and that is always interesting to me. It often effects how I teach the band the rest of the year and always in a positive fashion."

The Old Hammondtown School Band will take the stage at Tanglewood on May 7 at 11:20 am. The same three performance pieces will be played.



Above: Members of the Old Hammondtown School Concert Band will play at Tanglewood next month. Band members include (front row, l. to r.) Rachael Rizzo, Zane Nellis, Erin Coulter, Caseley Brodie-Gifford, Kyle MacDonald, Maura Jones, Jessica Bates, Renee Surprenant, Lindsey Smith, Alissa Allen, Aaron Rocha, (second row, l. to r.) Steven Faulkner, Nick Alves, Graham Tuxworth, Tyler Bates, Kerri Alves, Sally Beauvais, Samantha Ward, Audrey Burns, Collin Spink, Andrew Duval, Andrew Teixeira, (third row, l. to r.) Jaleise Bouley, Seth Bordwick, Colin Butterfield, Carolyn Griffith, Peter Asci, Alex Eilersten, Kayla Krause, Andrew King, conductor Stan Ellis, (back row, l. to r.) Ashley Shute, Spencer Zahn, James Wilhelmsen, Laurel Leake, Nick Lorencio, and Mackenzie Williamson. (Photo by and courtesy of Luther Leake).

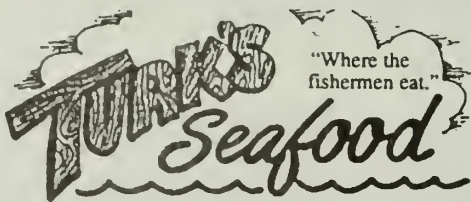
On the cover: The idyllic Mattapoisett River stretches underneath a local landmark dubbed "Lover's Bridge." Within a month's time, the river will be bustling with activity as the Annual Memorial Day Boat Race kicks off from Rochester. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).



Above: ORR School Superintendent Elizabeth Quinn donates at a recent blood drive sponsored by the Old Rochester Regional High School Chapter of the National Honor Society. Representatives of the Red Cross and Honor Society volunteers and donors are pictured in the background. (Photo courtesy of Kathy Marx).

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New Leadership

ORR Junior High Principal Selected

Superintendent Elizabeth A. Quinn is pleased to announce that Mr. Stephen Helman, currently the Principal of George Fisher Middle School, has been appointed to the Principalship of Old Rochester Regional Junior High School, effective July 1, 2000.

Mr. Helman brings excellent credentials and experience to Old Rochester. He holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Secondary Education/Social Studies from State University of New York (SUNY), and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study from the same university. He taught at the junior high level for 19 years in the Arlington CSD, New York schools and was Assistant Principal at Poughkeepsie Middle School before assuming his current role in 1989.

Mr. Helman's references comment that Steve "maintained one clear focus: 'Is what we're doing or considering doing, providing the best educational experience for our children?' His passion for working with middle level students is evident in everything he does ... He has a depth of understanding of the instructional process and a clear picture of what that looks like in a classroom ... Demonstrates a keen sense of humor combined with a serious concern for the instruction of children."

A committee of 18 students, staff, administration, parents, school committee members and the Superintendent interviewed six finalists from a pool of 35 applicants. Six members of that committee conducted a site visit at George Fisher Middle School, where they interviewed more than

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thirty students, parents, staff, union officials, administrators, and members of the Board of Education. Steve was described as a person "With a very deep sense of integrity, who believes in the innocence of children; a good listener who is respected even in times of disagreement and stressful situations." People see him as a "man of principle who listens well and carries out decisions with sympathy and empathy ... who works well with parents, knows the students and understands why they are there."

Mr. Helman visited Old Rochester Regional Junior High School for a day on April 3. While there, he toured the school and met with staff, students, parents, and School Committee members. He was interviewed by the District Leadership Council, and was taken on a quick tour of all three towns. The day ended with a cookies and conversation social.

At a meeting on April 6, the selection committee reviewed the process, the candidates, the visits and reference checks. By clear consensus, they recommended to the Superintendent that Stephen Helman be selected for the position. He will be a most welcome addition to our District and our communities.



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A special meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Paul Lambalot. Also present were Selectman Barry Denham, Selectman Ray Andrews, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

After approving the minutes of the April 3 meeting and the Executive Session minutes of the April 4 meeting, the board signed and approved various appointments for the year 2000-2001. Not all appointments were considered at this time, however, with several pending until a later date. The board also approved pool table and bowling alley licenses for local establishments.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received a written disclosure from Conservation Commission (ConCom) member John DeMello who is also a member of the Reservation Golf Club. Mr. DeMello wanted to disclose that he belongs to both entities since a notice of intent was recently filed by the Reservation Golf Club before the ConCom.

Alewives Anonymous sent notification that their Annual Meeting and Quahog Chowder Supper will be held on Sunday, April 30 at 5:00 pm at the Rochester Grange Hall.

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Environmental Management (DEM) has approved the use of remaining funds from the Dam Project to purchase a new fish counter for the herring resource.

Finance Committee (FinCom) member Patty Slater submitted a letter of resignation from the committee, effective at the close of the upcoming Town Meeting.

Pat Gardiner, President of Hearts and Hands, submitted a request to utilize Ned's Point for a cookout immediately following their Fifth Annual Bike-A-Thon/Walk-A-Thon on May 21. The board approved the request.

Residents Barbara and Kristyn Nordstrom and Jodi Bauer submitted a letter expressing their concern



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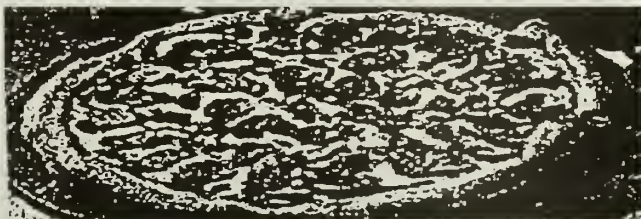
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Liz Field, Secretary of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, submitted a request to use Shipyard Park for an Easter Sunday Sunrise service on April 23 at 7:15 am. The board approved the request.

Christine Richards submitted a letter of resignation, stepping down from her position as the ConCom Clerk.

Notice was received from the Division of Marine Fisheries announcing the closing of the Town Landing to the taking of shellfish, effective April 1 through December 31, 2000.

The board received notification of a seminar titled "Violence in Our Schools" which will be held on Tuesday, May 9 at Stonehill College.

The Center and Old Hammondtown Schools Renovations Committee submitted the name of Charles VanVoorhis as the committee's representative to the Elementary School Building Committee.

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Adams advised that the deadline for applications to the Elementary School Building Committee is Friday, April 21. Thus far she has received five applications.

Fire Chief Ronald Scott's physician has allowed him to return to active duty for four hours a day with the Fire Department, effective immediately.

The board agreed they would reorganize at their next weekly meeting on Monday, April 24.

At 7:35 pm the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session under Exception 3 of the Open Meeting Law for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining. They would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

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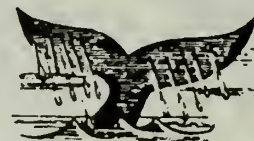
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Marion Selectmen Meeting

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By Ilana L. Mackin

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, April 18 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Loretta B. Schaefer. Also present were Selectman Albert E. Winters, Selectman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson and Secretary Helene Craver. Town Administrator Ray Pickles was not present for the meeting.

After the signing of weekly warrants and the granting of a special license for the Marion Arts Center, the board voted to accept the minutes of the April 11 meeting with no amendments or corrections.

At 7:05 pm the board met with Police Chief Lincoln W. Miller, who introduced two young gentlemen he recommended for appointment as Special Police Officers with the Marion Police Department. Chief Miller explained to the board that both applicants — Shawn J. Costa and Kevin W. Gelnett — each have approximately three years of law enforcement experience that they will be bringing to the department.

Mr. Costa has been working with the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department and Mr. Gelnett has been active in law enforcement as well as coming from a family of law enforcement careers with his father formerly serving with the Massachusetts State Police.

Chief Miller informed that board that both men are ready to begin cruiser and desk duty training immediately.

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men as Special Police Officers to the Marion Police Department," said Chairman Schaefer, who added that both terms will expire on May, 31 2000 (under a six-week trial period).

With a few minutes before the next scheduled appointment, Chairman Schaefer conducted a review of this week's incoming correspondence.

In a letter to Chairman Schaefer, Susan S. Grosart notified the board that in light of Ben Bryant's decision not to run for re-election to the Marion School Committee, she was recently voted as its representative to the ORR Building Committee. Mr. Bryant will however still remain active with the Building Committee in a chairman capacity. Chairman Schaefer entertained the motion to accept Ms. Grosart to the Building Committee.

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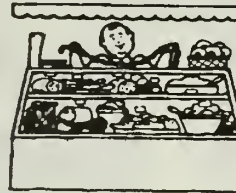
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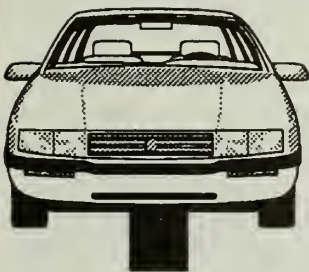
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The Department of Environmental Management (DEM) sent a letter of congratulations to Selectman Dickerson as Marion has been named Tree City USA for the third consecutive year. "We applaud your efforts to protect the trees and forests in your community," expressed Peter C. Webber, DEM Commissioner. "It's a great honor to have this yet again and it is certainly due to the efforts of the Tree Committee," added Chairman Schaefer.

The board also received notification and a second congratulations from the DEM that the Marion application for Mass ReLeaf has been approved and granted in the amount of \$4,968 for the tree-planting project at Sippican School.

At 7:15 pm Chairman Schaefer called to order the continuation of a public hearing upon a request for an entertainment license at the Sugar Shack which began last week.

Police Chief Miller was asked by the board as well as Sugar Shack owner John Sares to compile information and a study on the measurement of decibels (dB) to determine a limit to be set on the license if it were to be granted.

Chief Miller provided the board and those in attendance with a detailed study he had found through research detailing examples of decibel (dB) levels stating that a car registers approximately 70 dB, a motorcycle is 90 dB, busy traffic ranges in the 70s and other common analogies such as vacuum cleaners which range at 70 dB, a mixer at 70 dB, noisy restaurant is 80 dB, an alarm clock is 80 dB, and a screaming child is estimated to be 90 dB.

Chief Miller reported that after conducting his own traffic study and noise level study at the Sugar Shack with his own decibel meter, he determined the passing

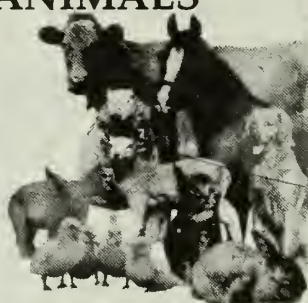
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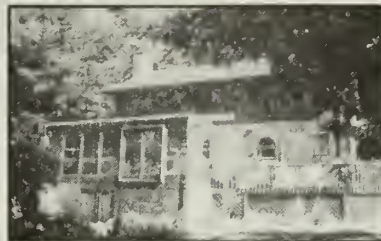
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traffic to be in the range of 70 to 75 dB's at approximately 10:00 am last Friday.

While inside the Sugar Shack, Chief Miller had Mr. Sares turn up the stereo "to a limit where no one would want to have coffee to ... it was unbearable with the doors closed — no sound could be heard outside of the building," reported Chief Miller. Inside the decibels measured between 80 and 85 dB's with the stereo at its highest level.

The board determined that it was necessary to take both the concerns of noise and traffic from concerned residents — as well as the fairness of allowing Mr. Sares to operate his business within the means of guidelines presented — into consideration when making this decision.

After lengthy discussion between all three members of the board, with interjection from Chief Miller and Mr. Sares, the board agreed to grant the entertainment license to the Sugar Shack with stipulations that will set the future framework for other similar applications, limiting the Sugar Shack to its current hours of operation from 10:00 am to 11:00 pm, a maximum of 84 dB's not to exceed within 75 feet of any perimeter around the building, from the playing of a radio, jukebox, amplifier, instruments and vocal music with no more than four players at a time. The terms of the license will be effective until December 31, 2000 — at which time a reapplication will be necessary.

At 7:40 pm the board met with Town Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector Debra M. Blanchette for the signing of notes before unanimously voting to adjourn for the evening at 7:45 pm.



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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

April 17, 2000

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, April 17 at 6:00 pm by Chairman Richard Cutler. Also present were Selectman Naida Parker, Selectman Patricia Ryan, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

The Selectmen discussed reorganizing the board, but agreed to hold this issue until next week's meeting. Instead, the unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the April 10 meeting, along with the minutes of the regular and Executive Session held on March 30. The

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board was reminded that they have a scheduled meeting with the Planning Board on April 25 to discuss a proposed "Building Cap" in town.

Chairman Cutler also announced that he received a phone call from Senator Marc Pacheco advising that the town had been awarded a \$75,000 matching grant to purchase property on Rounseville Road — a move he described as "very good news" for Rochester.

The board then unanimously voted to sign and approve payment of \$52,500 to the architectural firm of Dyer/Brown for design plans on the Police/Communications Building, and also unanimously approved a Loan Resolution for the Police/Communications Building in the amount of \$1.050 million for the pending project.

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Huntoon said that he will be selecting one of two firms to proceed with establishing a Compensation Plan for town employees. Mr. Huntoon is waiting on further information from one group based in Massachusetts and is also considering the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA). "I'd like to have (the Compensation Plan) ready for May 19 so we can vote on it at the Annual Town Meeting," Mr. Huntoon said. "I'll make a recommendation ... next Monday."

Mr. Huntoon informed the board that they recently signed the paperwork for a Farmer's Loan Group loan which was spearheaded and organized by Town Treasurer John Hall. The board asked that a letter of appreciation be drafted and put in Mr. Hall's file for his efforts.

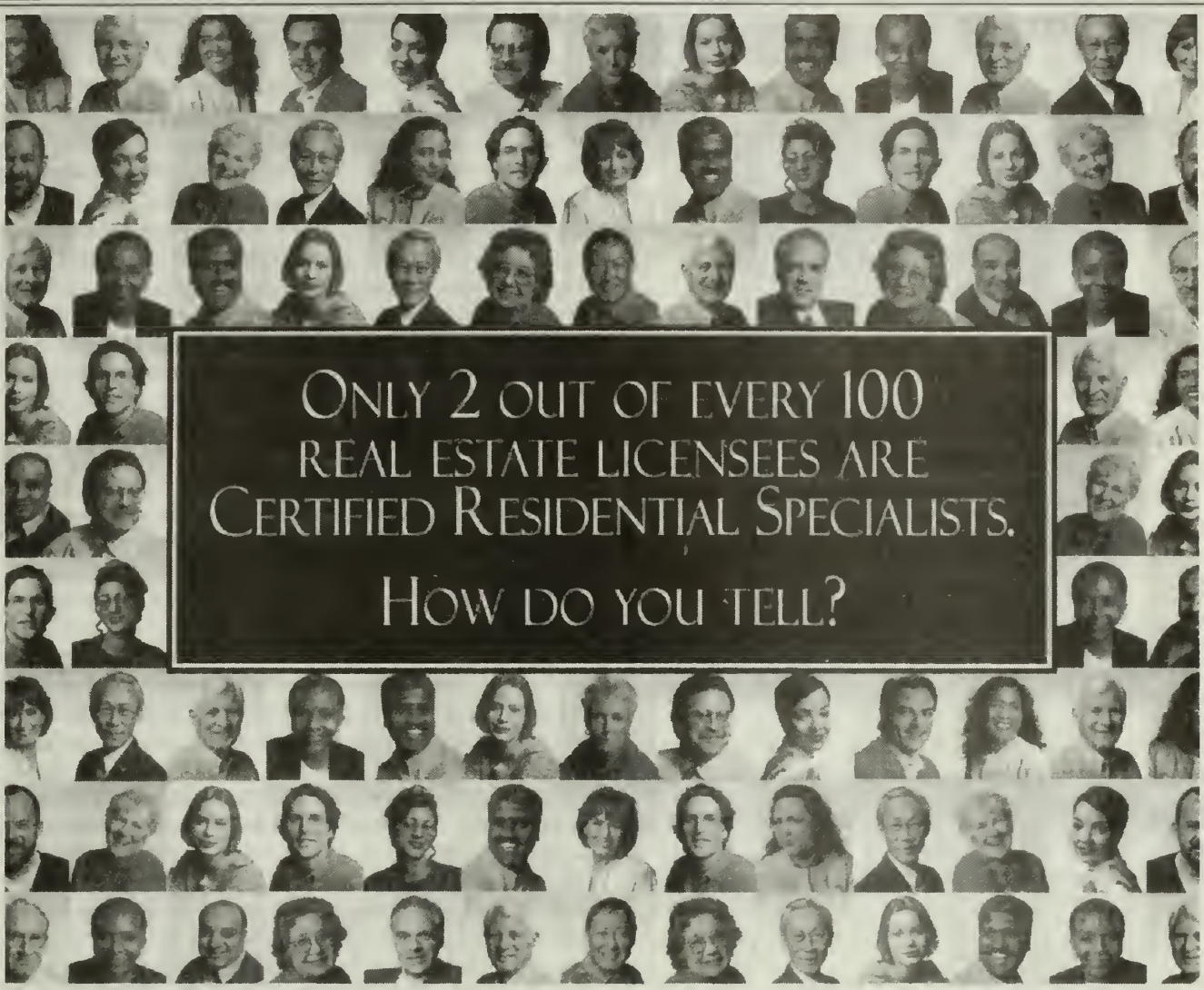
Lastly, Mr. Huntoon noted that he has submitted preliminary job descriptions to all town employees and department heads, asking them to supplement these descriptions as needed. This information will be used to set the aforementioned Compensation Plan and will be

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Under incoming correspondence, the board received a letter from State Representative William Straus advising that the state Department of Environmental Management (DEM) has approved the use of funds returned from the Dam Project for the purchase of a fish counter for local herring. This information has also been forwarded to the Herring Wardens in Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester.

Massachusetts District Highway Director Bernard McCourt sent a letter to Police Chief Walter Denham advising that "No Parking" signs will be posted on Route 58 near the intersection of Route 28 in Rochester as per Chief Denham's consultation with District Traffic Engineer Robert L. Gregory.

The Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development sent notification that a second round of funding in their "Soft Second Loan Program" (SSLP) is now taking place with up to \$2 million in SSLP funds available.

Thirteen-year-old Rochester resident Matt Milka sent a letter to the board requesting that they consider starting a football team for the tri-town area specifically geared to tri-town residents in junior high school (since ORR Junior High doesn't have one). Although the board applauded young Mr. Milka's efforts to kickstart such a team, they didn't feel it was appropriate for the town to organize such an entity. "I don't think the board wants to start a football team," Chairman Cutler said. "Athletic activity should be coordinated through a Recreation Department ... or school."

The board agreed to draft a reply to Mr. Milka and suggested a copy of his letter be forwarded to ORR Junior High School and/or School Superintendent Betty Quinn.

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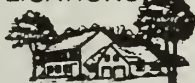
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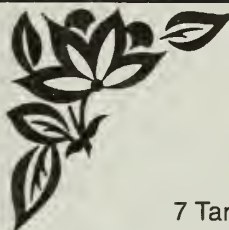


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Edward J. Haggerty and Wendy Roth of Pocasset sent notification to the board that they plan to purchase property located at 1 Smith Lane in Rochester on or before May 3. They plan to keep the property under its present Chapter 61B classification, restricted to recreational use.

Safety Officer William Chamberlain sent a memo to the board regarding a recent meeting held on April 10 to discuss gravel pit operations in Rochester and increasing truck traffic in town. According to Mr. Chamberlain's report, the discussion focused on "the number of trucks, the trucks speeding, school bus hours, and the condition of Walnut Plain Road between High Street and Alley Road."

Residents expressed concern over this issue, and several recommendations were made, not least of which was to ask the Board of Selectmen to do all within their power to see that the section of Walnut Plain Road from High Street to Alley Road be "reconstructed as soon as possible." The board agreed to forward this information to both Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge and the Finance



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Police Chief Walter Denham sent a copy of his posted memo to department members advising that starting August 12 vacation time may not be taken in order to provide adequate coverage during the town's week-long Millennium Celebration. Though some details are still pending, Chief Denham noted the following key events which will require additional shift coverage: a town parade on August 12; a town picnic on August 13; a Classic Car Cruise at Plumb Corner Mall on August 14; a block dance on August 15; a softball game on August 16; a Woodsman competition on August 18; a County Fair on August 19; and a Muster and Bonfire on August 19.

Under Old Business, the board asked for an update on the selection of a Town Planner. Mr. Huntoon noted that he plans to meet with the most qualified candidate of the last three-candidate batch this week (she had asked for a delay in consideration due to medical reasons). Selectman Ryan suggested that the Planning Board be asked at their next meeting to provide their input and recommendations as to what they are looking for in a Town Planner. Mr. Huntoon said he would send them a memo prior to their upcoming April 25 meeting.

With regards to a request last week from ORR senior and Marion resident Andrea Caron for assistance with her upcoming participation in the Sound of America Chorus, the board noted there were no available funding sources and they agreed to send her a letter of support in her endeavors.

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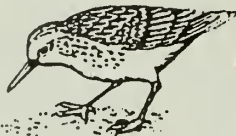
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After recessing briefly at 6:45 pm, the board reconvened at 7:00 pm and then unanimously voted to go into Executive Session to consider two grievances filed by the Rochester Police Brotherhood with regards to filling certain shifts. The members of the police union requested the matter be discussed in Executive Session as part of the Collective Bargaining process.


Upon returning to Open Session at 7:50 pm, the board commenced a hearing with residents who live off North Avenue and who share a common driveway which is causing some confusion in terms of locating individual homes. The three residences are randomly numbered 180, 152 and 156 North Avenue and Chairman Cutler said this may cause serious problems for police and fire personnel.

"We have skinny little strips of land (off) North Avenue which have been declared a 'common driveway,'" he said. "They usually base the address on the driveway ... which has frontage onto the property."

Thomas and Sandra Cullen of 180 North Avenue wanted to know what could be done. "The Building Inspector wanted to make (my land) a common driveway," Mr. Cullen said. "It passed before the Board of Appeals, but the naming process was left up in the air."

Chairman Cutler advised that they first need to come up with a reasonable name for the common driveway and then need to renumber the homes so they are in order and easy to locate.

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Upon a suggestion from Mr. and Ms. Cullen, the board unanimously voted to name the "common driveway" linking the three homes as "Duhamel Drive" with the sub-posting "Private Driveway," and also voted to request Building Inspector Bob Francis to renumber the three properties in sequential order. Mr. Huntoon suggested the residents contact Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge about preparing a proper street sign to be posted off North Avenue.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:16 pm.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

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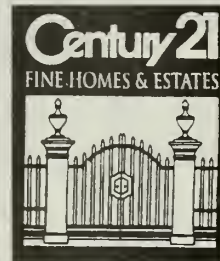
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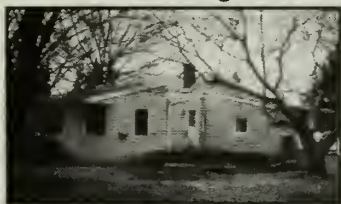
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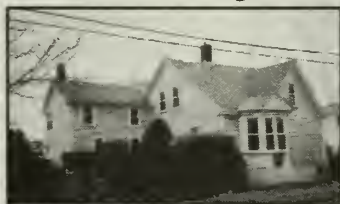


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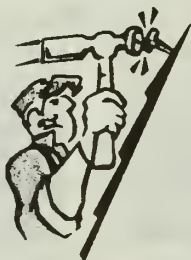
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area — will be announced in our May 25, 2000 issue and each winner will be the subject of a short feature highlighting their contributions to the local community. But *The Wanderer* needs your help in selecting these "unsung heroes."

The requirements are simple. Nominees must be legal residents of Mattapoisett, Marion, or Rochester (at least five years), and must have contributed in some way to the overall benefit of the community — either directly to town residents, or indirectly through efforts in promoting town activities, or working to keep the wheels of local government well-oiled. The only restriction is that these persons cannot benefit from their efforts in any other way — either financially or politically (hence, sitting elected officials are not eligible).

In doing this, we hope to applaud those who are rarely recognized for their countless hours of service and focus on the many people "behind the scenes" who remain otherwise anonymous but provide crucial support to many town functions. Like the keel of a ship which keeps the vessel from capsizing, the recipients of the Annual Wanderer Keel Award will be recognized for their stalwart efforts in keeping the community on an "even keel."

Past recipients of this honor have been:

• **MATTAPOISETT** - Maurice "Mudgie" Tavares (1994); Priscilla Alden Hathaway (1995); Norma Holt (1996); Gale Hudson (1997); Kenneth Stickney (1998); Clara Morgan (1999).

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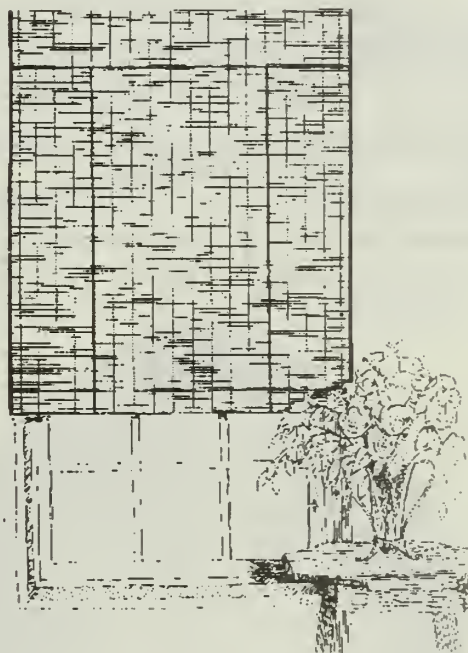
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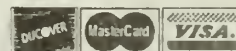
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Please send the name, address and telephone number of recommended nominees, along with a short description of their key contributions to the community to: Keel Award, *The Wanderer*, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The deadline for nominations is **Monday, May 22 at 3:00 pm**. Recipients will be contacted by telephone on Tuesday, May 23 prior to publication in the May 25 issue. Staff members of *The Wanderer* and employees of Wanderer Communications are not eligible for consideration.

Machacam Club - Mattapoisett

The Machacam Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, May 3 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner service at 6:00 pm.

The speaker this month will be Seth Mendell who will continue with part four of his ongoing history of Mattapoisett. Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on May 1.

Rochester Woman's Club

The Spring Yoga Class at the Rochester Woman's Club will begin on Tuesday, April 25 at 7:30 pm. The cost of the six-week session is \$50. The club is located on Route 105, Marion Road in Rochester. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or blanket. For more information or to register, please call 763-4965.

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Town Meeting

The Marion COA will provide transportation to the Town Meeting on Monday, April 24 and to the polls on April 28. Please call the COA if you need a ride.

Library Delivery

The Elizabeth Taber Library in Marion will deliver books to any individual who cannot get to the library. Many large-print books are also available for loan.

Art for Seniors

May 3 marks the beginning of the next season of oil painting lessons at the Senior Center. Do not feel you have to be an artist to join in ... the lessons will bring out the artist in you! So register today and meet some new friends. The cost for the six weeks of lessons, including all

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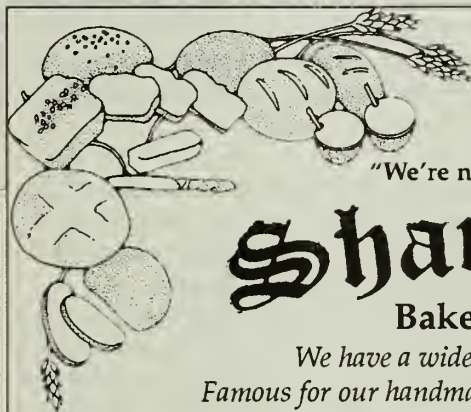
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Shopping

The Senior Van travels to the IGA in Wareham on Tuesday and to Shaw's on Friday.

Town Nurse

Town Nurse Martha Griffiths, RN, BSN, is available on Monday from 9:00 to 11:00 am at the Town Hall for Blood Pressure Screening and Health Counseling on a walk-in basis.

Mattapoissett Rubbish/Recycling

Due to the April 17 Patriots Day Holiday, the rubbish/recycling schedule in Mattapoissett will be delayed one day. Please have your rubbish/recyclables at the curb before 7:00 am.

Return of Movies for Seniors

Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoissett) recently announced the return of "going to the movies" for senior citizens across the Commonwealth. Representative Straus co-sponsored a successful amendment to the appropriation for the Councils on Aging (COA) in the state budget for 2001 that sets a side \$25,000 to pay for a statewide licensing fee to the Motion

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Picture Licensing Corporation of America. The fee is necessary to allow the COAs to show videos to a gathering of individuals in a public place — like a senior center — even when not charging an entrance fee for the event.

The controversy over this expenditure began when Governor Cellucci slashed the appropriation from the FY 2001 state budget for the Councils on Aging. His reasoning was that the expense was not essential and ought to be taken care of at the local level.

Said Representative Straus: "These movies are a source of pleasure to the state's seniors. For many, the COA movie events are a time they are able to interact socially with others and it provides the community with a much-needed opportunity to monitor the health and well-being of many less-active seniors. Besides, the local COAs are already strapped for funds. The least the state can do is provide some help to the COAs."

The issue originally came to the attention of Representative Straus during one of his monthly constituent office meetings held at the Mattapoisett COA.

ORR Students Honored

On Tuesday, May 2, the Wareham Lodge of Elks will honor students from five area schools as Students of the Month and Student of the Year. The students and their families will be treated to a banquet at the Wareham Lodge and presented with \$50 savings bonds as Students

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Hearts and Hands Benefits

Easter Egg Raffle

With the hopes of raising awareness and especially funds for the valiant efforts of the Hearts and Hands organization of Mattapoisett, Cerulli's Gourmet Foods will sponsor an Easter Egg Raffle with a giant imported chocolate Easter egg as the grand prize. However, this is no ordinary chocolate egg. With decorative wrap, it stands four feet tall and consists of 10 pounds of exquisite Italian chocolate stuffed with surprises. It is truly beautiful and unique to this area.

According to Pat Gardiner, Director of Hearts and Hands, raffle tickets are available at Cerulli's in the Ropewalk Mall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett seven days a week, with a scheduled drawing on Saturday, April 22. Help support a worthy cause — they need your help!



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Registration begins at 1:00 pm at the Salvation Army Thrift Store parking lot on Route 6 (County Road) in Mattapoisett. For more information or to obtain sponsor sheets, please call Hearts and Hands at 758-1300 or the Mattapoisett Police Department at 758-4141.

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Forest Fire Safety Approved

State Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett) announced today that the House passed a proposal of his that would appropriate \$100,000 to initiate a prescribed burning program to be run by the Massachusetts Department of Fisheries, Wildlife and Environmental Law Enforcement in the state forests.

The Nature Conservancy, a private non-profit organization that has maintained an active fire program in Massachusetts for more than a decade, will equally match these funds.

This vital program, which is already in existence in many other states across the country, will benefit more than 120,000 acres of forest in the Commonwealth by helping to reduce accumulated fuel loads that threaten public safety as well as restore the natural process that



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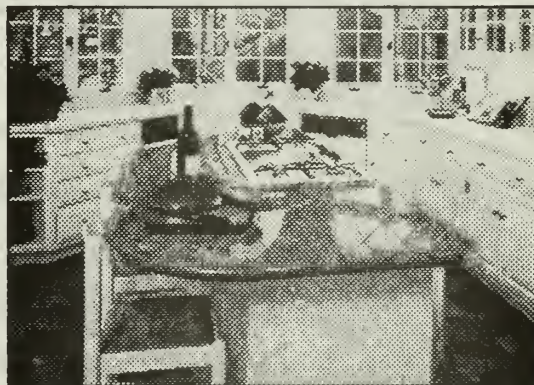


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"I am pleased that the House approved the funding and congratulate the private Nature Conservancy for committing over \$100,000 of its own money to the joint effort with the state."

"I'd like to commend Representative Straus for his leadership on this important issue, said Bob Durand, Secretary of Environmental Affairs. "The program will be an attempt toward reducing the threat to public safety caused by fire and maintain the diversity of our forest habitats in Massachusetts."

The measure was approved as part of the Fiscal Year 2000 Budget and now will be taken up by the State Senate.

Rochester Grange Celebration

On April 12, Rochester Grange #257 held an open meeting for the purpose of celebrating its 94th Anniversary. Sippican Pomona Grange officers filled the chairs. Dignitaries present were: June Millett, State Grange Musician; Carl St. Don, General Deputy & Master of Acushnet; Herbert L. LaFleur, Subordinate Deputy; Irene Jefferson, CO Director of the State CFA Committee; Frank Jefferson, CO Director of the State CFA and Master of South Middleboro; Caroline St. Don, CO Director State Junior Grange and Master of Sippican; James Coggeshall, Master of Fairhaven and Jay Plissey, Master of East Freetown.



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June Millett, State Grange Musician & Pomona Lecturer, read a short history of the Rochester Grange and then had Edith Lizotte escorted to the Altar. She was joined by her husband Leo and daughter Lorna. After reading a short biography, Master Christine Day and Deputy Herbert LaFleur awarded Edith her Golden Sheaf Award. A letter of congratulations from State Master Kathleen Peterson was also read. Sister Day then pinned a 50-year jewel on Edith. Brother LaFleur was pleased to announce that Florence Taylor had received her Golden Sheaf Award at her home before the meeting. She also received a 50-year jewel and a letter from the State Master. Three Past Masters were in attendance for her award — Paul Ouellette, Herbert LaFleur and Susan LaFleur.

Golden Sheaf Certificates are awarded by the National Grange to every Granger with 50 years of continuous membership. A count taken during the evening showed seven Golden Sheaf members in the hall. Rochester now has 11.

Mr. Jay Ryan, Principal of the Rochester Memorial School, was also escorted to the Altar where Grange Master Christine Day, joined by June Millett, who is a Grange representative to the organization "Mass Agriculture in the Classroom," presented him with a video and lesson plans of agriculture throughout the state. He thanked the Grange and said that it would be used at the school. "Mass Agriculture in the Classroom" is an organization which promotes agriculture for students



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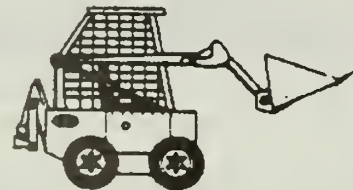
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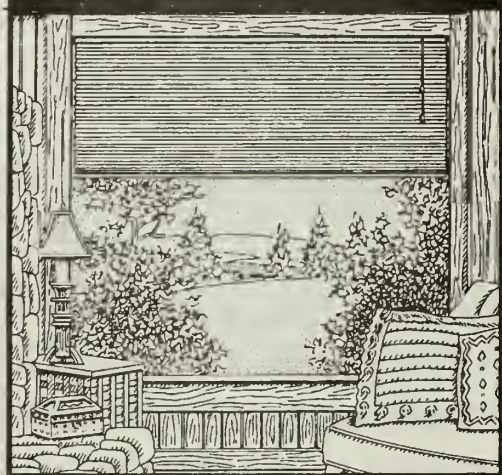
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Past Masters in the hall were escorted to the Altar where a short candle-lighting ceremony was held to honor the Grange, its many members, as well as the future. Past Masters present included Paul Ouellette, Herbert LaFleur, Susan LaFleur and Christine Day. Also recognized were Past Lecturers Elizabeth Gonneville and Lucille Goodwin.

A very fine and entertaining musical program was furnished by Art Tebbetts, who played guitar and sang. Many of the songs became a sing-along. Besides Rochester, five other area Granges were represented at the evenings festivities which ended with anniversary cake and ice cream. The members of Rochester Grange look forward to its 100th Anniversary and invite anyone interested to come and visit on the second Wednesday of each month.

Mattapoisett Congregational Church

The Mattapoisett Congregational Church would like to invite the community to worship services during Easter Week and their traditional Sunday morning worship service at 10:00 am. In addition, they will be having a service of Tenebrae with scripture and Holy Communion on Thursday, April 20 (Maundy Thursday) at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Easter Sunrise Services will be held at 7:15 am at Shipyard Park. In case of rain, the service will be held in the sanctuary. There will be two worship services on Easter morning in the church at 8:30 and 10:00.

The Maconchu Club will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast from 7:30 to 8:30 in the Parish Hall.

Rochester Safety Awareness Day

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New activities this year will include:

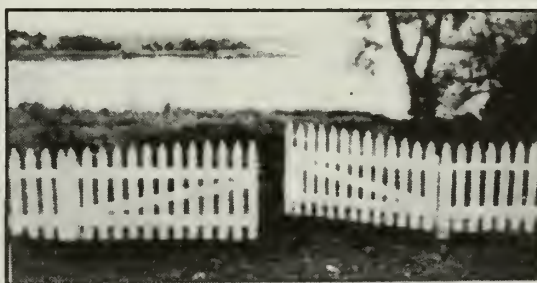
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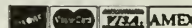
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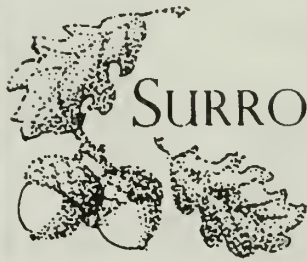
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Indoor presentations and activities will include: CHiP Video ID program, fingerprinting and tooth printing of children, drug abuse awareness, immunization, poison prevention, Emergency 911, gun safety, safety with electricity, domestic abuse awareness, elder safety issues, alcohol abuse, tobacco abuse, auto safety, head injury, CPR demonstration, and safety through the postal service. McGruff the Crime Dog will appear.

Parents are asked to bring last year's CHiP video with them, so that the May 6 interview can be added to it. The video ID packets have been generously donated by the Masonic Lodges of Massachusetts who have provided this service to over 40,000 children. In fact, the Masons have several CHiP programs occurring all over the state on May 6.

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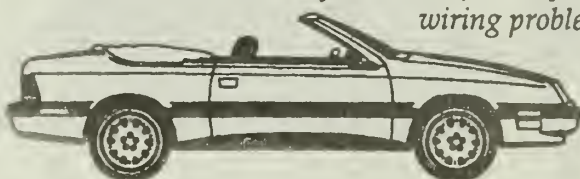
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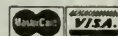
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Tickets for the luncheon are \$12 per person and can be purchased at the Opulent Owl, 33 County Road, or by calling Madeline at 758-9768 or Peg at 758-3069. Groups of four may reserve their table in advance. The luncheon is a fund-raising event to benefit the Ways and Means Committee.

Former Red Sox Player in Rochester

Former Boston Red Sox player Rick Miller will be present at the Booth Family Benefit spaghetti dinner to sign autographs and help to auction off Red Sox and PawSox tickets. The dinner is being co-sponsored by the Rochester Lions Club and the Rochester Police Brotherhood and will be held May 6 at the Rochester Memorial School on Pine Street. The dinner is to raise much needed funds to defray expenses incurred by a severe medical problem suffered by Matthew Booth.

Rick Miller played for the Red Sox from 1969 to 1977 and then from 1981 to 1985. In 1974 he was named Bosox Club Man of the Year for contributions to the community on and off the field. He won the American League Gold Glove Award in 1978. In 1981 he tied a major

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league record with four doubles in one game. During the 1983 season he led the American League and set a Red Sox record with a .457 pinch hitting average. Since leaving baseball as an active player he has coached and is presently manager/director of several baseball schools and camps for youngsters of all ages. He is also on the Board of Directors and Honorary Chairman of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Tickets for the dinner are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 12 years of age and can be purchased by calling Art Westgate at 763-2486 or Bill Chamberlain at 763-8956 and through Lindsey Moore at Old Rochester Regional. Tickets can also be purchased from any member of the Police Brotherhood as well as at Lloyd's Market and Towne Pizza. Seating will be continuous from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. If you wish to make a donation to the Matthew Booth Fund or donate an item for the raffle and auction, to be held that night, you may do so through Art or Bill.

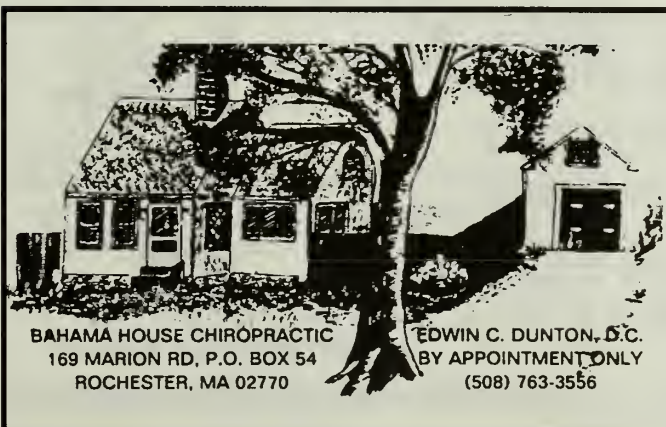
St. Anthony's Scholarships

St. Anthony's Guild is offering scholarships. To be eligible, you must be a senior in high school and an active member of St. Anthony's Parish. Please pick up an application at the rectory and return it by May 9 for consideration.

Mysteries of Marion

The Marion Art Center and the Sippican Historical Society are pleased to present a jointly-sponsored program for children which explores historical events and mysteries of Marion on Friday, May 5 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm at the Marion Art Center, corner of Pleasant and Main Streets in Marion.

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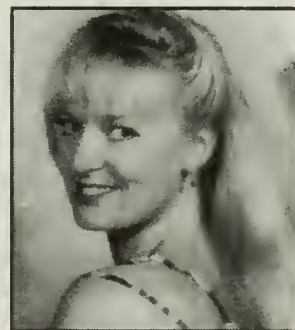
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This program is designed specifically for children ages 7 to 11. All materials will be supplied by the Marion Art Center and the Sippican Historical Society. Please note that due to limited space and materials, only a certain number of children may attend. A limit of 50 children will be observed. Attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis. All Sippican Historical Society programs are free-of-charge and open to the public. Please join them!

Rummage Sale in Mattapoissett

Two great sales will be held at the Mattapoissett Congregational Church Hall, 27 Church Street, on Wednesday, May 3 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm and on Thursday, May 4 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. New pricing items will be introduced on Wednesday evening when selected clothing will be available at 25 cents each or five for \$1 (also 50 cents each or three for \$1). Special Moments will present bargain prices during the sale. White Elephant items will be available, come and search for that unexpected treasure! Thursday morning will also feature the usual Dollar-a-Bag Sale.

Marion Spring Spruce Up

Marion will celebrate its rite of spring: the All-Town Clean Up during the week of April 22 to 29, beginning on Earth Day and ending Arbor Day. This event is sponsored by the Marion Tree Committee and the Sippican Lands Trust. Residents are asked to pick up free bags and work gloves from area businesses, and to clean up their own street/road frontage as well as one public place of their choice. This departure from a one-day Saturday blitz will give people more time flexibility in this season when weekends are often devoted to yard work. If refuse is too large to be set out for household trash pickup, please call the Marion DPW at 748-3540.

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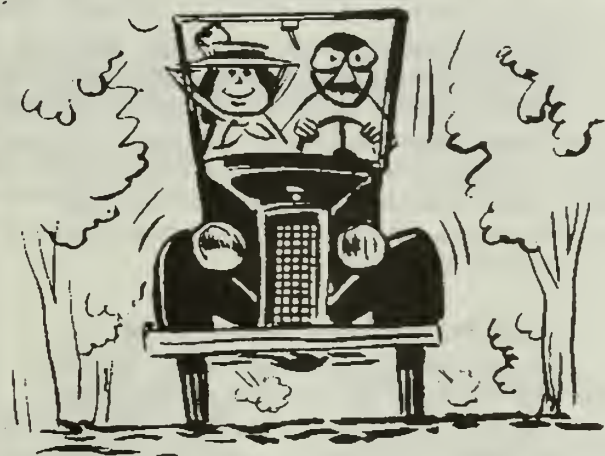
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Alewives Anonymous, Inc. is a non-profit organization with the goal of maintaining the local rivers and streams for the annual migration of the alewives (herring) population to their spawning areas including Snipatuit Pond and Leonards Pond in Rochester, monitoring the population using electronic fish-counting equipment, and other efforts and projects to enhance their numbers and improve their environment.

Marion Town Clerk

Taxes Due

A reminder to Marion taxpayers that the fourth quarter Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes are due by May 1.

Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballots are now available at the Marion Town Clerk's office for the local election to be held on Friday, April 28, 2000. Anyone wishing to vote prior to the election due to absence from town on election day may vote in the office during regular business hours from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday, and on Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm prior to noon on April 27. Upon receipt of written application, absentee ballots will be mailed to voters who are out of the area. For further information, please call Town Clerk/Treasurer/Collector Debra Blanchette at 748-3505.

Fairhaven High Drama Club

The Fairhaven High School Drama Club will present "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" from May 4 through 7 in the New Fairhaven High School Auditorium. The show will be staged on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 pm, with a Sunday afternoon matinee at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$8 per person for reserved seating and may be purchased by calling 979-4052 or 999-

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Friends of the Elderly

Bake Sale

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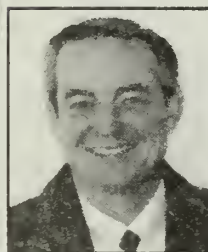
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American Psycho arrives on movie screens as a brilliant second draft — the work of art that Bret Easton Ellis' notorious novel should have been. Even those of us prepared to give Ellis the benefit of the doubt were appalled by such passages as the following (warning: do not read the next sentence if you are easily offended):

"It was cool this morning but seems warmer after I leave the office and I'm wearing a six-button double-breasted chalk-striped suit by Ralph Lauren with a spread-collar pencil-striped Sea Island cotton shirt with French cuffs, also by Polo, and I remove the clothes, gratefully, in the air-conditioned locker room, then slip into a pair of crow-black cotton and Lycra shorts with a white waistband and side stripes and a cotton and Lycra tank top, both by Wilkes, which can be folded so tightly that I can actually carry them in my briefcase." Truly the stuff of nightmares.

Ellis' real downfall was that he envisioned a sprawling, Dostoyevskian architecture but lacked the skill to draft it; he is a serious novelist but a terrible, monotonous stylist. Mary Harron, who directed the adaptation, deftly takes over; she tidies up Ellis' blueprint, builds the house, and makes herself right at home. The script, which Harron cowrote with Guinevere Turner, couldn't be more succinct — it hums right along, from one thing to the next. An axe murder that takes Ellis 217 dawdling pages to get around to, for instance, appears a brisk half hour into the film.

That axe murder, along with the very few other slayings that survived the book-film odyssey, occurs safely offscreen; Harron's film isn't about gory special effects, but about the rage and contempt that fuel murder (and, not coincidentally, the corporate world). The slowly fragmenting protagonist, Patrick Bateman (Christian Bale), may voice his desire to stab a woman to death and play with her blood, but we don't have to look at him doing



it. When Patrick, a corporate Jekyll by day and a rabid Hyde by night, invites a pair of prostitutes to his ritzy apartment and does unspeakable things to them with a coathanger, the episode is left to our busy imaginations (which conjure up greater horrors than a film is allowed to show).

Christian Bale, a Welsh actor best known here for his childhood performance in *Empire of the Sun*, affects a hilariously smarmy American drawl that's part Casey Kasem, part Rod Serling. Having

the time of his life every second of the way, Bale grabs onto this largely hollow role and pumps it with all the diabolical charisma it can hold. Nature has also gifted Bale with an amusing little V-shaped crease that bisects his brow whenever someone pops Patrick's bubble of superiority. When a colleague dares to have a more elegant business card than Patrick's, out comes the V-crease; the axe soon follows. Harron has recast *American Psycho* as a comedy about the fragility of masculinity, and Bale cheerfully plays the sap for her.

Following Ellis' ambiguous narrative, Harron steers the audience through some eleventh-hour curves, and in one instance the ravishing set design works against her: the sameness of the yuppie apartments is so satirically thorough that those who haven't read the book in a while (or at all) may be confused by a key scene involving a borrowed apartment and a real-estate broker. Patrick may come apart, but Harron holds things together; like Ellis, she toys with the wishful theory that Patrick's atrocities may all be imaginary — the foul whimsies of a bored yuppie — and when Patrick's secretary (Chloe Sevigny) discovers his notebook filled with feral doodles of torture and murder it's almost Harron's way of sneaking in the book's gallery of horrors through a side door. But in the end, as in the book, we are reminded: "This is not an exit." Even if Patrick didn't commit all these crimes, so what? Others have; others will. *American Psycho* is a hot-blooded comedy that leaves a chill in its wake.

■ CINEMA 140

376 Hathaway Road, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Lines: 999-6577, 999-4233

Friday (Apr. 21) through Thursday (Apr. 27)

Gossip* (R) — Fri-Sun: 12:00, 2:10, 4:15, 7:00, 9:00;
Mon-Thu: 7:00, 9:00

American Beauty (R) — Fri-Sun: 11:45, 2:15, 4:40,
7:15; Mon-Thu: 6:30, 9:00

The Cider House Rules (PG-13) — Fri-Sun: 11:45,
2:15, 4:40, 7:15; Mon-Thu: 6:30

Black and White (R) — Fri-Sun: 9:40; Mon-Thu: 9:15

Love & Basketball* (PG-13) — Fri-Sun: 12:15, 2:20,
4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 9:10

My Dog Skip (PG) — Fri-Sun: 12:30, 2:30

The Skulls (PG-13) — Fri-Sun: 4:45, 7:00, 9:15; Mon-
Thu: 7:00, 9:15

Ghost Dog (R) — Fri-Sun: 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:30,
9:50; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 9:15

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■ FLAGSHIP CINEMA 12

500 Kings Highway, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Hotline: 985-3000

Friday (Apr. 21) through Thursday (Apr. 27)

U-571 (PG-13) — 1:00, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30

28 Days (PG-13) — 12:20, 2:50, 5:00, 7:15, 9:25

Keeping the Faith (PG-13) — 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:00

Where the Money Is (PG-13) — 12:15, 2:25, 4:40,
7:35, 9:45

American Psycho (R) — 1:10, 3:25, 6:50, 9:15

Rules of Engagement (R) — 12:45, 4:00, 7:05, 9:45

Return to Me (PG) — 12:50, 3:40, 6:55, 9:20

Ready to Rumble (PG-13) — 12:05, 2:30, 4:50, 7:25,
9:50

The Road to El Dorado (PG) — 12:40, 2:45, 4:55,
7:05, 9:10

High Fidelity (R) — 1:05, 3:35, 7:40, 9:55

Romeo Must Die (R) — 12:35, 3:05, 7:10, 9:40

Erin Brockovich (R) — 12:30, 3:20, 7:00, 9:35

■ GENERAL CINEMA 12

Faunce Corner Road, North Dartmouth, MA.
Movie Line: 999-3141

Friday (Apr. 21) through Thursday (Apr. 27)

Erin Brockovich (R) — 1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:20

Rules of Engagement (R) — 1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:20

U-571 (PG-13) — 1:50, 4:40, 7:00, 9:30

Keeping the Faith (PG-13) — 1:20, 4:00, 6:40, 9:10

Romeo Must Die (R) — 1:20, 4:00, 6:30, 8:50

High Fidelity (R) — 1:30, 4:30, 6:50, 9:10

Return to Me (R) — Fri: 1:10, 4:20, 7:10, 9:30; Sat:

1:10, 4:20, 9:30; Sun-Mon: 1:10, 4:20, 7:10, 9:30

Ready to Rumble (PG-13) — 1:30, 4:30, 6:50, 9:00

The Road to El Dorado (PG) — 1:00, 2:50, 4:40, 6:30,
8:30

Where the Money Is (PG-13) — Fri: 1:40, 4:10, 7:00,
8:50; Sat: 1:40, 4:10, 9:30; Sun-Thu: 1:40, 4:10,

7:00, 8:50

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Preschool Screening Clinic

The *final* preschool screening clinic for the school year is scheduled for May 1 at Sippican School in Marion. Children from birth to age three as well as three- and four-year-olds may be screened. The clinic is intended to offer families an opportunity to bring a child whose development is being questioned. So if you have questions about your child's language development, coordination, or thinking skills, call 748-0100 for an appointment.

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■ ACUSHNET ELEMENTARY and FORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Monday, April 24 – Chicken nuggets, grilled cheese, cooked white rice, corn, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 25 – Hamburger on a bun, bologna sandwich, potato puffs, peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 26 – Steak'Ums, turkey sandwich, potato puffs, carrots, fresh fruit, assorted milk.

Thursday, April 27 – Hot dog on a roll, turkey sandwich, potato puffs, carrots, fresh fruit, assorted milk.

Friday, April 28 – Stuffed crust pizza, tuna salad sandwich, carrot sticks, fresh fruit, milk.

■ COASTLINE

ELDERLY NUTRITION

Monday, April 24 – Beef stew with veggies, mashed potato, dark rye bread, fruit in light syrup.

Tuesday, April 25 – Baked savory chicken leg, boiled red bliss potatoes, chopped broccoli, whole wheat bread, fruit in light syrup.

Wednesday, April 26 – Sweet and sour meatballs, rice pilaf, green beans, potato bread, birthday cake.

Thursday, April 27 – Roast turkey with gravy, whipped potato, winter squash, cranberry sauce, oatmeal bread, vanilla pudding.

Friday, April 28 – Fish chowder, crunchy light fish, tartar sauce, zucchini and tomato, hamburger roll, fresh fruit.

■ CENTER SCHOOL

MATTAPOISETT

Monday, April 24 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 25 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 26 – Pepperoni pizza, calzone, toasted cheese sandwich, fruit,

tossed salad, dessert, milk.

Thursday, April 27 – Taco chalupa, turkey sub, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, nachos, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, April 28 – Stuffed crust cheese pizza, tuna roll, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

■ FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY and ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Monday, April 24 – Chicken nuggets with sauces, Steak'Um and cheese sub, baked pork chop with gravy, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled pineapple, vanilla pudding with topping.

Tuesday, April 25 – Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, meatball sub, grated mozzarella, mac rib sub, potato puffs, baked beans, chilled pears, strawberry jello with topping.

Wednesday, April 26 – Kentucky style chicken, hot dog on a roll, hot ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, peas, chilled peaches, apple pie.

Thursday, April 27 – Spaghetti sauce over pasta, grated mozzarella, grilled cheese, shaved turkey club, tossed salad, green beans, chilled pears, peanut butter brownie.

Friday, April 28 – "Hero" sub, chicken patty club, hamburger/cheeseburger, crunchy cheetos, carrot sticks, fresh apple, Pokémon fruit roll.

■ FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 24 – Baked lasagna with garlic bread, vegetable wrap, grated mozzarella, grilled chicken club, mac rib sub, seasoned fries, carrots, chilled pears, vanilla pudding with topping.

Tuesday, April 25 – Baked macaroni and cheese, potato crunch fish nuggets, hot dog on a roll, tuna salad pocket, potato wedges, green beans, chilled peaches, lime jello with topping.

Wednesday, April 26 – Chicken nuggets with sauces, baked pork chop with gravy, ham and cheese gourmet pretzel roll, vegetable wrap, grated mozzarella, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled pineapple, apple pie.

Thursday, April 27 – Meatball grinder, grated mozzarella, Italian sausage grinder with sauce, shaved turkey club, potato puffs, baked beans, chilled applesauce, peanut butter brownie.

Friday, April 28 – Pepperoni pizza, hamburger/cheeseburger, seafood salad pocket, oven fries, tossed salad, chilled peaches, apple crisp

with topping.

■ HASTINGS MIDDLE

SCHOOL – FAIRHAVEN

Monday, April 24 – Chicken nuggets with sauces, Steak'Um and cheese sub, baked pork chop with gravy, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled pineapple, vanilla pudding with topping.

Tuesday, April 25 – Cheese pizza, sausage pizza, meatball sub, grated mozzarella, mac rib sub, potato puffs, baked beans, chilled pears, strawberry jello with topping.

Wednesday, April 26 – Kentucky style chicken, hot dog on a roll, hot ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, peas, chilled peaches, apple pie.

Thursday, April 27 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, grated mozzarella, garlic bread, shaved turkey club, tossed salad, green beans, chilled pears, peanut butter brownie.

Friday, April 28 – Linguica pizza, grilled chicken club, hamburger/cheeseburger, seasoned fries, carrot sticks, mixed fruit, Pokémon fruit roll.

■ MEMORIAL SCHOOL

ROCHESTER

Monday, April 24 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 25 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 26 – Pepperoni pizza, calzone, toasted cheese sandwich, fruit, tossed salad, dessert, milk.

Thursday, April 27 – Taco chalupa, turkey sub, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, nachos, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, April 28 – Stuffed crust cheese pizza, tuna roll, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

■ OLD COLONY REGIONAL

VOKE-TECH HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 24 – Juice, cheeseburger, French fries, corn, cookie.

Tuesday, April 25 – Grilled hot dog, baked beans, potato salad, veggie sticks, chocolate pudding.

Wednesday, April 26 – Beef chow mein, rice, stir fry vegetables, marble cake.

Thursday, April 27 – Pasta with meat sauce, green beans, roll, jello.

Friday, April 28 – Pepperoni pizza, hash brown patty, peas, assorted dessert.

■ OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL – MATTAPOISETT

Monday, April 24 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 25 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 26 – Pepperoni pizza, calzone, toasted cheese sandwich, fruit, tossed salad, dessert, milk.

Thursday, April 27 – Taco chalupa, turkey sub, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, nachos, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, April 28 – Stuffed crust cheese pizza, tuna roll, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

■ ORR JUNIOR and SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, April 24 – Soup, chicken parmesan, Italian sub, chicken fritters, fries, pickle, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, April 25 – Soup, BBQ ribs, fries, meatball sub, chicken fillet, pickle, fruit, juice or milk.

Wednesday, April 26 – Soup, beef lasagna, turkey sub, chicken patty, garlic bread, salad, dessert, juice or milk.

Thursday, April 27 – Soup, teriyaki chicken roll-up, chicken salad roll, pepperoni calzone, double grilled cheese, lettuce, tomato, nachos, cheese sauce, dessert, juice or milk.

Friday, April 28 – Soup, linguica with rice, bacon egg bagel, chicken tenders, peas, roll, applesauce, dessert, juice or milk.

■ SIPPICAN SCHOOL

MARION

Monday, April 24 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, oven fries, veggie sticks, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, April 25 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, April 26 – Pepperoni pizza, calzone, toasted cheese sandwich, fruit, tossed salad, dessert, milk.

Thursday, April 27 – Taco chalupa, turkey sub, lettuce, tomato, cheese, soup, nachos, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, April 28 – Stuffed crust cheese pizza, tuna roll, soup, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

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Sippican Choral Society

The Sippican Choral Society will perform the Easter portion (Parts II and III) of Handel's *Messiah* at Grace Episcopal Church in New Bedford on Sunday, April 30 at 7:00 pm. The chorus will be accompanied by orchestra and soloists, including chorus member Karen

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Local Police Logs

■ MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of April 9 through April 17, 2000:

- Front Street – attempted suicide
- Converse Road – animal complaint
- Rochester Animal Control – animal complaint
- Mill Street – suspicious activity
- Water Street – burglar alarm
- Point Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Wareham Road – recovered motor vehicle
- Point Road – suspicious person
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Parlowtown Road – vandalism/past
- Ryders Lane – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Delano Road – animal complaint
- Front Street – animal complaint
- Washburn Park Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Point Road – missing person
- Island Wharf Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Harnum Way – family disturbance/adult arrest/assault and battery with dangerous weapon: to wit, telephone
- Spring Street – officer wanted
- Front Street – vandalism/past
- Pleasant Street – parking violation
- Point Road – family disturbance
- Rebecca Drive – animal complaint
- Edgewater Lane – vandalism/past
- South Street – motor vehicle complaint
- Wareham Road – general distur-

bance

- Wareham Road – suspicious activity
- Zora Road – larceny/past
- Converse Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Front Street – larceny/past
- Front Street – recovered property
- Point Road – animal complaint
- Main Street – parking violation
- Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
- Pierce Avenue – parking violation
- Point Road – family disturbance
- Dexter Road – noise complaint.

■ MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of April 9 through April 15, 2000:

- Fairhaven Road – suspicious activity
- Fairview Drive – mutual aid (Fairhaven)
- Marion Road – vandalism
- Fairhaven Road – fraud/counterfeit money
- Shore Drive – dead deer in grass
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – party harassed by loose dog
- Fairhaven Road – harassing phone calls
- Fairhaven Road – fraud/impersonation
- Tinkham Lane – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
- Marion Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Marion Road – harassment
- Mahoney's Lane – home invasion/attempted rape/sexual force
- Martin Avenue – party reports someone listening to phone calls
- County Road – traffic violation
- County Road – recovered property
- County Road – larceny by check
- County Road – stolen property/gas
- County Road – past motor vehicle accident
- Pigwacket Lane – barking dog complaint
- Route 195 West – illegal trash

dumping

- County Road – larceny by check
- Acushnet Road – burglary/breaking and entering/forced entry
- County Road – lost and found property
- Pine Island Road – stray dog found
- Crystal Spring Road – trash dumping
- County Road – assault and battery with dangerous weapon
- Meadowbrook Lane – suspicious motor vehicle.

■ ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of April 11 through April 17, 2000:

- Old Schoolhouse Road – theft
- Rounseville Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Dexter Lane – noise complaint
- Old Tuck Bog Road – civil complaint
- Burgess Avenue – civil complaint
- Walnut Plain Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- North Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
- Rounseville Road – animal complaint
- High Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Hartley Road – suspicious person
- Negas Way – adult arrest
- Route 28 – adult arrest (warrant)
- Neck Road – motor vehicle hit deer
- Walnut Plain Road – car hit deer
- Gerrish Road – vandalism
- Knight & Look Campground – officer wanted
- Mary's Pond Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Route 28 – suspicious motor vehicle
- Braley Hill Road – welfare check
- County Road – civil complaint
- Mary's Pond Road – adult arrest (attaching plates)
- Union Church Terrace – vandalism.

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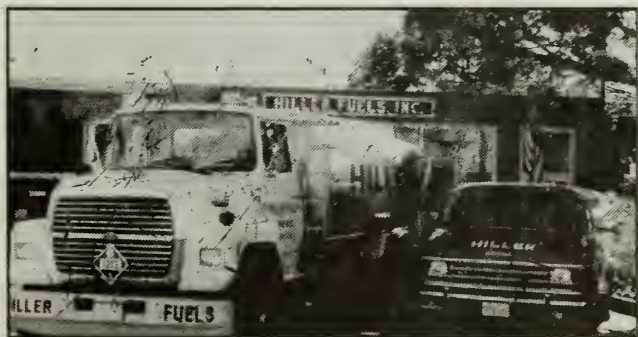
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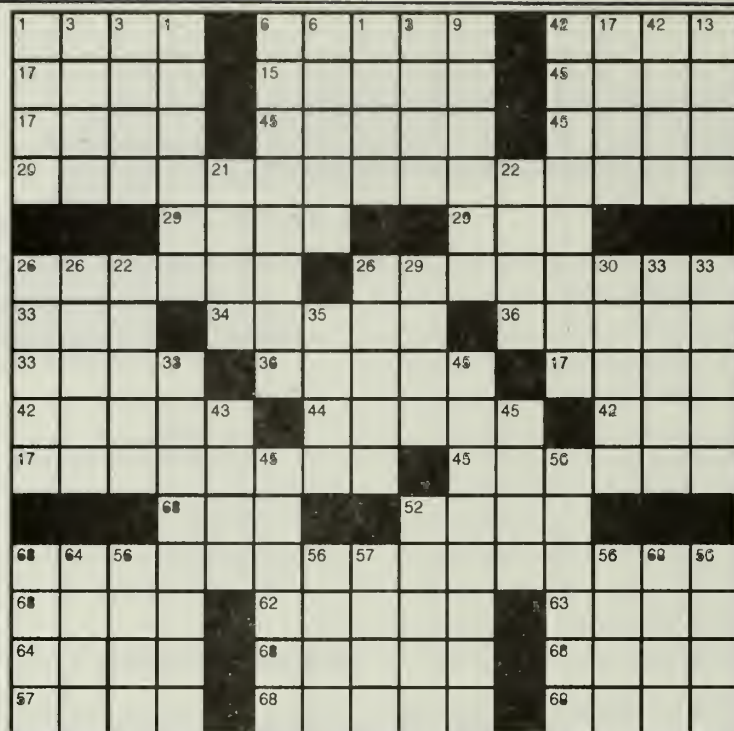
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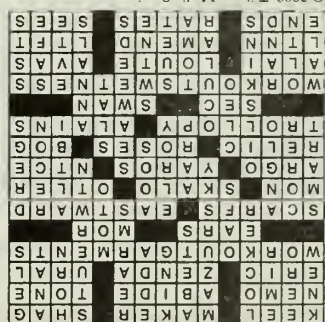
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23 Corn servings
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33 Weekday abbr.
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39 Three-foot lengths
41 Pleasant city in France?
42 Artifact
44 Fragrant bed
46 Soggy ground
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49 Delon and Resnais
51 Very dry, as wine
52 Graceful bird
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63 Gardner and others
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32 Bottom of the barrel
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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). You're lucky, so don't procrastinate. Take care of a personal matter with a partner or attorney.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Take care of old business and clean up everything you possibly can. The sun will come into your sign soon.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Friends need your support. Help them figure out what to do next. Get practical and get as much work done as possible.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). You could get slightly frazzled. You should calm down soon, though. You may be in the mood to work, so set it up.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). You may be in a good mood. Getting work done will be hard — but worthwhile. You could have some good opportunities during the next few weeks.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). By now your money matters should be pretty well figured out. Wrap up any loose ends so you can take a vacation.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). If you have partnerships or legal matters that need attention, do them. Don't wait any longer.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Check as many items as you can off your list so you'll be free to do other things. You'll become more interested in partnerships.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Be careful. Reality may rear its ugly head. You'll have lots of work, through the end of the month, so be prepared.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your home and family are important to you, so you can entertain. You'll want to have loved ones around for the next four weeks, at least.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). So many interesting things going on, so little time! You may decide to fix a few things around the house during the next few weeks.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). You have probably thought a lot about money for the past few weeks. Put as much as you can into savings.

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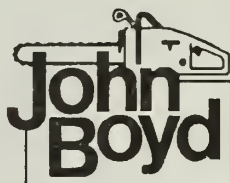
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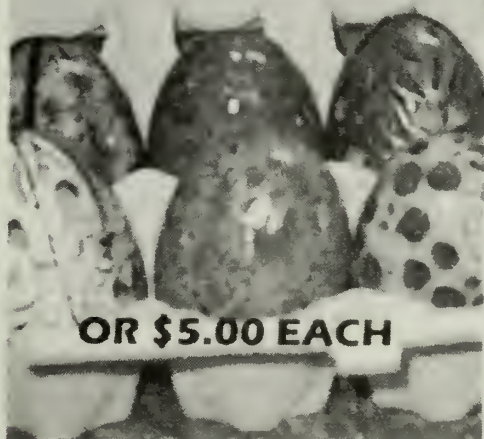
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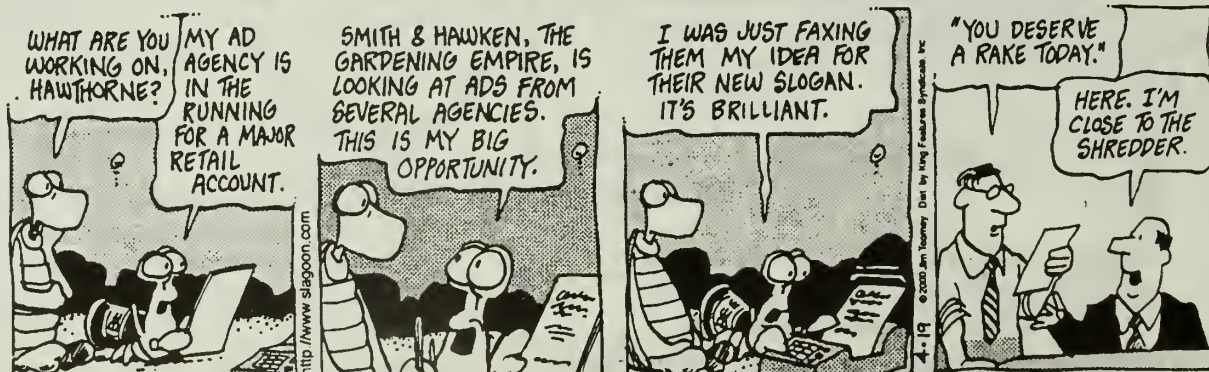
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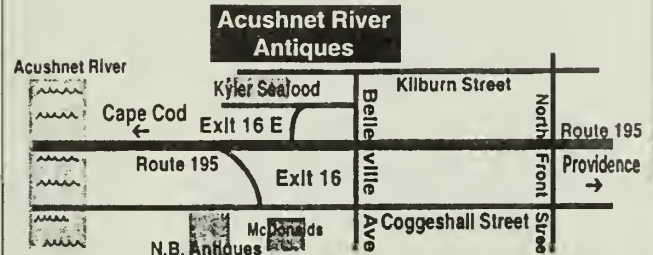
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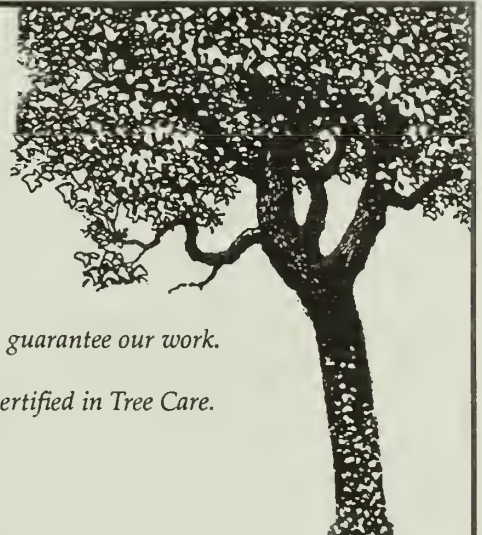


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- Monday, April 24 - Kennedy Museum, leaving from Town Hall at 9:00 am, \$4 per person, please call for reservations (a must) at 763-8723;
- Tuesday, April 25 - AARP Meeting at Rochester Town Hall, all are welcome, speaker to be announced;
- Thursday, April 27 - Crafts at the Senior Center, 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, making quilts.

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For more information, please contact one of the following committee members: Kathleen (Kobza) Murphy, (508) 992-2195; Dorothy (Lacerda) Porte, (508) 992-1544; Donald Driesen, (508) 994-8297; or Ralph Parker, (508) 995-9204.

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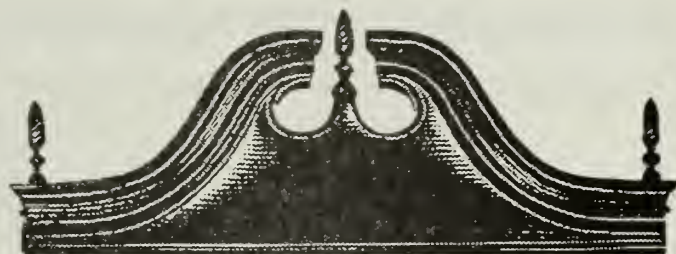
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		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
April 20:	Thurs.	9:51	10:09	3:29	3:22
April 21:	Fri.	10:33	10:51	4:00	3:53
April 22:	Sat.	11:15	11:34	4:32	4:27
April 23:	Sun.	...	12:01	5:05	5:03
April 24:	Mon.	12:20	12:50	5:43	5:45
April 25:	Tues.	1:10	1:45	6:26	6:33
April 26:	Wed.	2:06	2:44	7:18	7:32
April 27:	Thurs.	3:05	3:42	8:18	8:41
April 28:	Fri.	4:03	4:35	9:23	9:53
April 29:	Sat.	4:56	5:25	10:24	10:58
April 30:	Sun.	5:46	6:11	11:17	11:53
May 1:	Mon.	6:33	6:56	...	12:05
May 2:	Tues.	7:19	7:40	12:43	12:50
May 3:	Wed.	8:04	8:25	1:30	1:35
May 4:	Thurs.	8:51	9:11	2:17	2:20
May 5:	Fri.	9:38	9:59	3:04	3:07
May 6:	Sat.	10:28	10:50	3:52	3:55
May 7:	Sun.	11:21	11:44	4:43	4:46

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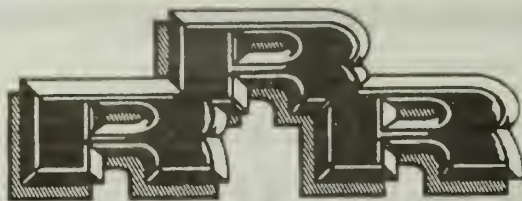


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